

## MEETING RECORD

**NAME OF GROUP:** HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

**DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:** Thursday, July 10, 2014, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room 214, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Tim Francis, Jim Hewitt, Jim Johnson, Berwyn Jones, Liz Kuhlman and Greg Munn; (Jim McKee absent). Ed Zimmer, Stacey Groshong Hageman and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department; Kevin Abourezk from the *Lincoln Journal Star*.

**STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING:** Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Chair Greg Munn called the meeting to order and acknowledged the posting of the Open Meetings Act in the room.

Munn then requested a motion approving the minutes for regular meeting held June 19, 2014. Motion for approval made by Jones, seconded by Hewitt and carried 6-0: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn voting 'yes'; McKee absent.

The opportunity was given for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission.

**APPLICATION BY J-TECH CONSTRUCTION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT 6030 HAVELOCK AVENUE IN THE HAVELOCK AVENUE LANDMARK DISTRICT**

**PUBLIC HEARING:** **July 10, 2014**

Members present: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn; McKee absent.

Ed Zimmer stated that this building was built in 1913 as Havelock City Hall. This application is for a sign. It will be opaque and externally lit with gooseneck lights.

Munn questioned if the proposed sign will be installed in the existing sign frame. Zimmer replied yes.

Munn stated that he would prefer to see the gooseneck lights mounted in the mortar joints if at all possible. The other Commissioners agreed.

**ACTION:**

Jones moved approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the sign as presented, reusing the framework of the existing sign and lit with gooseneck lights from above, preferably installed in the mortar joints if possible, seconded by Kuhlman and carried 6-0: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn voting 'yes'; McKee absent.

**APPLICATION BY JON OLSEN ON BEHALF OF TWIN PEAKS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENES FOR A SIDEWALK CAFÉ AT 800 Q STREET IN THE HAYMARKET LANDMARK DISTRICT**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**July 10, 2014**

Members present: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn; McKee absent.

Hewitt noticed in paper today that the City is considering clothing rules for attending the Hall of justice. If the City is going to do that, then he believes this Commission ought to give some thought to rules for the Haymarket. Instead of wearing almost negligible costumes, they should be Harvey girls with pinafores and so forth. He believes the commission would get some approbation from mothers and other groups. It would be historic.

Zimmer stated that this application is for an outdoor sidewalk café. The tables on the 8<sup>th</sup> Street side are on private property. This is an unusual situation on this corner property.

**ACTION:**

Kuhlman moved approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sidewalk café, seconded by Johnson.

Munn wondered if there are canopies on this side of the building. Zimmer oesn't think there is a canopy on this face of the building.

Motion for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sidewalk café carried 4-2: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman and Munn voting 'yes'; Hewitt and Jones voting 'no'; McKee absent.

**APPLICATION BY US PROPERTIES**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**July 10, 2014**

Members present: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn; McKee absent.

Zimmer stated there is no new information to present on this one.

- **Review and recommendation on draft nomination of Amel Koop House**

Zimmer stated that this is a Berlinghoff design. He had to approach this from the standpoint of building style. Berlinghoff did not do a lot of houses. The argument we make is that architects vary off into different styles. Zimmer calls it academic eclecticism. Like other examples by Fiske, this property combines some features of bungalows and some other features which are not. Each facade reads very differently.

Zimmer presented photographs of the interior of the house.

The second owner after Koop was the Abbott family. The house was bought for kids to live in while attending the University. They were only in Lincoln a few years. He doesn't think we can associate them with the house. He mentions them because they go on to have a house in Hyannis designed by Berlinghoff. This property is eligible on the basis of demonstrating a mature and experienced architect, working in a free form combination of period styles.

**ACTION:**

Johnson moved approval of National Register listing under Criterion C, seconded by Jones and carried 6-0: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn voting 'yes'; McKee absent.

- **Recommendation on Special Permit No. 14018, reconstruction of a non-conforming**

Zimmer stated that a special permit has been requested for this house in east Lincoln in the Elm Park district. It is a bungalow on M Street. The house beside it owns one stall of the garage and the bungalow owns the other stall. There is a wall separating the two stalls. It is a legal non-conforming property. They need to rebuild the garage because it is falling down. The owner needs a special permit to reconstruct a non-conforming property. They would replicate the form and do the proper fireproofing. In Zimmer's opinion, this would almost be a Certificate of No Material Effect in terms of architectural impact, but the owner needs a special permit to get a building permit.

**ACTION:**

Francis moved approval of reconstruction of the garage, replicating the current design, seconded by Kuhlman.

Munn questioned what happens to other half of the garage. Zimmer doesn't think the neighbor plans to rebuild the other half. They might be motivated to improve their half if this is approved, but he does not know.

Motion for approval of reconstruction of the garage carried 6-0: Francis, Hewitt, Johnson, Jones, Kuhlman and Munn voting 'yes'; McKee absent.

**Staff Report**

Ed Zimmer and Stacey Groshong Hageman will be attending a preservation conference next week.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.